

HUNDREDS DEAD IN EXPLOSION ON THE JENA

Many Victims Roasted
to Death Below the
Decks.

TOULON, March 12.—After an investigation today marine officers state that the French battleship Jena, which was made a death trap yesterday, will probably be a total loss.

No accurate figures can yet be given on the number killed. Eighty-two bodies have been identified, and fragments of many more have been gathered up from along the water front. There seems little doubt that many of the wounded and dead were blown into the harbor and sank, while it is certain that men fleeing in terror from the explosion jumped into the water and were drowned.

The Jena, carried a crew of twenty-one officers and 655 men, and the fact that many of these were unaccounted for following the explosion yesterday, gave rise to the report that the dead would reach 400.

Later developments, however, showed that many of these men were enjoying shore leave, and that it was to this fact alone that they owed their lives.

Will Total One Hundred.

At noon today it seemed certain that the list of dead would at least total a hundred, with every probability of its exceeding this number. Approximately 200 men are in the hospitals, and it is believed that many of these are suffering from fatal injuries. Nine men had expired in the hospitals up to noon today.

The fires which raged for hours yesterday in the bulk of the Jena have been extinguished, and the search of the dead is being pursued today. Considerable difficulty attends the work of rescue, however, owing to the fact that the interior of the vessel is still filled with deadly fumes, and many of the rescuers have been overcome and dragged out with difficulty.

Dozens of the victims of the explosion who were below decks at the time of the disaster were asphyxiated by the fumes from the burning magazine. Many others, including Captain Bertier, were imprisoned in cabins and below decks by tangled masses of debris, and literally roasted alive.

How Dock Was Saved.

That the disaster wrought from exploding magazines was not even greater is today attributed to the marksmanship of the gunners of the battleship Patrie, moored opposite the drydock, in which the Jena lay. Following the explosion the Patrie's guns failed at the critical moment, and the Jena, which was jammed a well directed shell, fired from the Patrie smashed the gate, flooded the dock, and incidentally the interior of the badly rent ship, just in time to prevent the explosion of the central and forward magazines, in which were stored the powerful torpedoes. Had these torpedoes been exploded simultaneously, it is believed that the fire arsenal and every building within a radius of several hundred feet of the battleship would have been razed.

EXPECT BATTLE IN HONDURAS WAR

Central America Feels Continued Money Strain.

An important battle is impending between the Nicaraguan and Honduran forces, according to information that has reached the State Department. Upon the result may depend the entire issue of the conflict. Up to the present time it is declared that the numerous encounters of the rival forces have been small affairs.

A dispatch was received today by the State Department, bearing yesterday's date, from Philip Brown, secretary of the United States legation, who is now at Tegucigalpa, the capital city of Honduras. It says that there has been no serious military engagement yet, but predicts that "something decisive may be expected before long."

According to recent advices, the objective of the Nicaraguan army has been the capture of the city of Tegucigalpa, and several of the neighboring towns and villages have, it is reported, been taken by Zeleda's troops. It is reasonable to suppose, therefore, that the coming battle will be fought in the neighborhood of the Honduran capital. This is situated in a mountainous country, making military operations very difficult.

The financial strain incident to the war is being severely felt by the belligerent countries, and even those nations of Central America which are not actively engaged in the hostilities have been affected by it.

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Captain McCathran Dead; Member of Police Force Nearly Thirty-Nine Years

Suffered Stroke of Paralysis Three Weeks Ago.

Veteran of Civil War,
Serving in the Union
Army.



FRANCIS F. MCCATHRAN,
Captain of Police, Who Passed Away
This Morning.

The funeral of Capt. Francis F. McCathran, of the Fifth police precinct, who died early this morning, will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from his late residence, 511 Tenth street southeast. The services will be conducted by the Rev. E. H. Lamar, pastor of the Wilson Memorial M. E. Church. The services will be with full Masonic honors, and the pallbearers selected from members of that order. Interment will be in Congressional Cemetery.

Death was due to a stroke of paralysis, following a cerebral hemorrhage.

Captain McCathran suffered a similar attack while in the Eastern Market several months ago. He was unconscious for several days, and his life was despaired of.

It is believed that the second attack was brought on by exertion in walking through the snow from his home to the station. Immediately after he was stricken Police Surgeon Edmund Barry was summoned, and was in constant attendance up to the time of death.

Change for the Worse.

On Friday last Captain McCathran's condition took a decided turn for the worse, and members of the family were told that there was no chance for his recovery. It was necessary to administer stimulants at frequent intervals to keep him alive. He sank into a state of semi-coma, which ended in his death.

He is survived by his wife, three sons—James K., William D., and Francis B.; and two daughters, Mrs. Ernie F. Kendrick and Miss Bessie McCathran.

Captain McCathran was a veteran of the civil war, having served with the Union forces. He was one of the first to respond to President Lincoln's call for men to serve ninety days.

Captain McCathran's Career.

Captain McCathran was born in Washington February 13, 1841, and was educated in the public schools of this city. He learned the trade of blacksmithing and worked at it until May 21, 1868, when he was appointed on Metropolitan police force.

January 13, 1876, he was made a sergeant, and June 25, 1891, was promoted to the rank of lieutenant and placed in command of the Fifth precinct. After his promotion to a sergeant he was the only mounted officer doing duty at No. 5, and his patrol extended over the entire section of the District lying east of the Anacostia river.

He was made inspector of detectives on February 6, 1892, with the rank of lieutenant. He was in charge of the detective bureau until October 15, 1892, when he was relieved of the command and assigned the Fifth precinct.

Made Police Captain in 1905.

Under the general reorganization of the department, which went into effect July 1, 1905, he was made a captain. Prior to this all of the precincts had been in charge of lieutenants.

During his thirty-nine years of service in the department Captain McCathran made an enviable record. Known personally to almost every member of the force, as well as those over whom he had direct supervision, he was one

JERSEY CITIANS HERE TO IDENTIFY JEWELS

Mr. and Mrs. William G. Bumstead, of Jersey City, came to Washington this morning and identified articles valued at \$500 from the \$4,000 worth of jewelry recovered in New York last week by Inspector Boardman, as having been stolen from their residence in the fall of 1905. The jewelry was turned over to Mrs. Bumstead by Property Clerk Kemp.

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"My complexion had become very sallow and my stomach was an unrelieved punishment to me. For years, we have always had some kind of a cathartic in the house, which I took before retiring, as a matter of regular routine, using one kind until it began to lose its effect, and then another. About six weeks ago my husband brought home a package of Postum Food Coffee, insisting that I give up the old kind and try the new. It seemed to be impossible to quit drinking coffee, although I knew it was injuring my health."

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of the most popular men in the service. He had the respect and admiration of every official in the department, and his death came as a source of deep regret to his many friends.

Will Announce Later
Successor to McCathran

Major Sylvester, Superintendent of Police, said this morning that the successor of Capt. Francis F. McCathran, of the Fifth precinct, who died early this morning, had already been decided upon, but that no announcement would be made until sufficient time had elapsed to show the department's respect for the veteran police official.

"Ever since it became known that Captain McCathran was sick unto death, people have been running after me in behalf of their friends," said the superintendent. "I was disgusted at this action beyond expression, and it is needless to say that lobbying of this character had no effect whatever in naming his successor."

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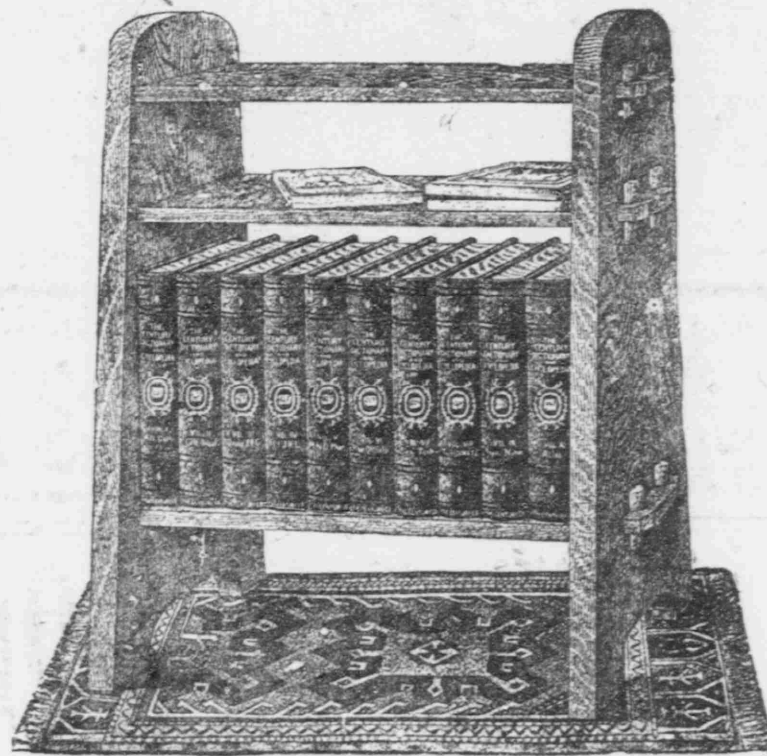
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